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13
14 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
15 FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

16 APPLIED MEDICAL RESOURCES
17 CORPORATION, a California
corporation,

18 Plaintiff,

19 v.

20 MEDTRONIC, INC., a Minnesota
21 corporation,

22 Defendant.

} Case No.
8:23-cv-00268-WLH-DFM

} Hon. Wesley L. Hsu

} [Discovery Document: Referred to
Magistrate Judge Douglas F.
McCormick]

} **STIPULATED PROTECTIVE
ORDER**

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1 Plaintiff APPLIED MEDICAL RESOURCES CORPORATION
2 (“Applied”) and Defendant MEDTRONIC, INC. (“Medtronic”) have agreed to
3 the terms of the Stipulated Protective Order (“Order”) as set forth below. The
4 purpose of this Order is to protect the confidentiality of such materials as much
5 as practical during the litigation. This Order governs the treatment of all
6 documents and materials produced in the course of this Action, including but not
7 limited to initial disclosures, responses to discovery requests, depositions and
8 deposition exhibits, interrogatory answers, and responses to requests for
9 admission designated in accordance with the procedures set forth below.

10 **GOOD CAUSE STATEMENT**

11 Good cause exists for this Court to enter the Stipulated Protective Order
12 because disclosure of the parties’ confidential information would harm the parties
13 financially and allow competitors to gain unfair advantage. For example,
14 competitors could gain an unfair advantage over the parties if they learn the
15 parties’ confidential information, such as product specifications, design history
16 files, regulatory submissions, financial information, sales information, business
17 and marketing strategy, or information concerning business operations. Such
18 information would allow others to unfairly compete in the market and usurp the
19 parties’ business opportunities, to the detriment of the parties. Good cause further
20 exists in that this Stipulated Protective Order will allow for the parties to disclose
21 documents that may be required for the litigation of this matter without suffering
22 from both an economic and business detriment that would result from the
23 disclosure of confidential information to the parties’ competitors and/or to the
24 public.

25 THEREFORE, FOR GOOD CAUSE SHOWN, IT IS HEREBY
26 ORDERED:

27 **1. DEFINITIONS**

28 1.1 Action: this pending federal lawsuit.

1 1.2 Challenging Party: a Party or Non-Party that challenges the
2 designation of information or items under this Order.

3 1.3 “CONFIDENTIAL” Information or Items: information (regardless
4 of how it is generated, stored or maintained) or tangible things that qualify for
5 protection under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26, and as specified above in
6 the Good Cause Statement.

7 1.4 “HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL – OUTSIDE ATTORNEYS’ EYES
8 ONLY” Information or Items: highly confidential and/or sensitive “Confidential
9 Information or Items,” disclosure of which to another Party or Non-Party is likely
10 to cause harm or significant competitive disadvantage to the Producing Party,
11 which may include, but is not limited to, development and strategic plans,
12 scientific research, customers, pricing and sales information, trade secrets,
13 technical information, technical practices, financial data, customer-confidential
14 information, agreements or relationships with Third Parties, market projections
15 or forecasts, strategic business plans, selling or marketing strategies, new product
16 development, testing, manufacturing costs, and information regarding employees.

17 1.5 Counsel: Outside Counsel of Record and In-House Counsel (as well
18 as their support staff).

19 1.6 Designating Party or Producing Party: a Party or Non-Party that
20 designates information or items that it produces in disclosures or in responses to
21 discovery as “CONFIDENTIAL” or “HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL – OUTSIDE
22 ATTORNEYS’ EYES ONLY.”

23 1.7 Disclosure or Discovery Material: all items or information,
24 regardless of the medium or manner in which it is generated, stored, or maintained
25 (including, among other things, testimony, transcripts, and tangible things), that
26 are produced or generated in disclosures or responses to discovery.

27 1.8 Expert: a person with specialized knowledge or experience in a
28 matter pertinent to the litigation who has been retained by a Party or its counsel

1 to serve as an expert witness or as a consultant in this Action, including support
2 staff.

3 1.9 In-House Counsel: attorneys who are employees of a party to this
4 Action. In-House Counsel does not include Outside Counsel of Record or any
5 other outside counsel.

6 1.10 Non-Party: any natural person, partnership, corporation, association
7 or other legal entity not named as a Party to this action.

8 1.11 Outside Counsel of Record: attorneys who are not employees of a
9 party to this Action but are retained to represent a party to this Action and have
10 appeared in this Action on behalf of that party or are affiliated with a law firm
11 that has appeared on behalf of that party, including support staff.

12 1.12 Party: any party to this Action, including all of its officers, directors,
13 employees, consultants, Experts, and Outside Counsel of Record (and their
14 support staffs).

15 1.13 Producing Party: a Party or Non-Party that produces Disclosure or
16 Discovery Material in this Action.

17 1.14 Professional Vendors: persons or entities that provide litigation
18 support services (e.g., photocopying, videotaping, translating, preparing exhibits
19 or demonstrations, and organizing, storing, or retrieving data in any form or
20 medium) and their employees and subcontractors.

21 1.15 Protected Material: any Disclosure or Discovery Material that is
22 designated as “CONFIDENTIAL” or “HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL – OUTSIDE
23 ATTORNEYS’ EYES ONLY.” Protected Material shall not include: (i)
24 advertising materials that have been actually published or publicly disseminated;
25 and (ii) materials that show on their face they have been disseminated to the
26 public.

27 1.16 Receiving Party: a Party that receives Disclosure or Discovery
28 Material from a Producing Party.

1 **2. SCOPE**

2 2.1 All Protected Material shall be used solely for this case or any related
3 appellate proceeding, and not for any other purpose whatsoever, including
4 without limitation any other litigation, patent prosecution or acquisition, patent
5 reexamination or reissue proceedings, or any business or competitive purpose or
6 function. Protected Material shall not be distributed, disclosed, or made available
7 to anyone except as expressly provided in this Order.

8 2.2 The protections conferred by this Order cover not only Protected
9 Material (as defined above), but also (1) any information copied or extracted from
10 Protected Material; (2) all copies, excerpts, summaries, or compilations of
11 Protected Material; and (3) any testimony, conversations, or presentations by
12 Parties or their Counsel in court or in other settings that might reveal Protected
13 Material.

14 2.3 Nothing in this Protective Order shall prevent or restrict a Producing
15 Party's own disclosure or use of its own Protected Material to any person for any
16 purpose.

17 2.4 This Order does not preclude any Party or Non-Party from using
18 Protected Material with the consent of the Producing Party or by order of the
19 Court.

20 2.5 This Order does not preclude any Party or Non-Party from moving
21 the Court for additional protection of any Discovery Material or modification of
22 this Order, including, without limitation, moving for an order that certain matter
23 not be produced at all.

24 2.6 Any use of Protected Material at trial shall be governed by the orders
25 of the trial judge and other applicable authorities. This Order does not govern the
26 use of Protected Material at trial.

1 **3. DURATION**

2 Even after Final Disposition of this litigation, the confidentiality
3 obligations imposed by this Order shall remain in effect until a Designating Party
4 agrees otherwise in writing, a court order otherwise directs, or the information
5 was made public during trial. For purposes of this Order, “Final Disposition”
6 occurs after an order, mandate, or dismissal finally terminating the above-
7 captioned action with prejudice, including all appeals. Once a case proceeds to
8 trial, the Parties will discuss any necessary protections for information that was
9 designated or maintained pursuant to this protective order used or introduced as
10 an exhibit at trial.

11 **4. DESIGNATING PROTECTED MATERIAL**

12 4.1 Exercise of Restraint and Care in Designating Material for
13 Protection. Each Party or Non-Party that designates information or items for
14 protection under this Order must take care to limit any such designation to specific
15 material that qualifies under the appropriate standards. Designations that are
16 shown to be clearly unjustified or that have been made for an improper purpose
17 (e.g., to unnecessarily encumber the case development process or to impose
18 unnecessary expenses and burdens on other parties) may expose the Designating
19 Party to sanctions. If it comes to a Designating Party’s attention that information
20 or items that it designated for protection do not qualify for protection, that
21 Designating Party must promptly notify all other Parties that it is withdrawing the
22 inapplicable designation. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Party utilizing
23 technology-assisted review may designate Protected Material without
24 undertaking a particularized review of the material.

25 4.2 Manner and Timing of Designations. Except as otherwise provided
26 in this Order, or as otherwise stipulated or ordered, Disclosure of Discovery
27 Material that qualifies for protection under this Order must be clearly so
28 designated before the material is disclosed or produced.

1 (a) For information in documentary form (e.g., paper or electronic
2 documents, but excluding transcripts of depositions or other pretrial
3 or trial proceedings), the Producing Party must affix the legend
4 “CONFIDENTIAL” or “HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL – OUTSIDE
5 ATTORNEYS’ EYES ONLY” (hereinafter “Confidentiality
6 legend”), to each page that contains protected material. If only a
7 portion of the material on a page qualifies for protection, the
8 Producing Party also must clearly identify the protected portion(s)
9 (e.g., by making appropriate markings in the margins). For digital
10 files being produced, the Producing Party may mark each viewable
11 page or image with the appropriate designation, and mark the
12 medium, container, and/or communication in which the digital files
13 were contained.

14 (b) A Party or Non-Party that makes original documents available for
15 inspection need not designate them for protection until after the
16 inspecting Party has indicated which documents it would like copied
17 and produced. During the inspection and before the designation, all
18 of the material made available for inspection shall be deemed
19 “HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL – OUTSIDE ATTORNEYS’ EYES
20 ONLY.” After the inspecting Party has identified the documents it
21 wants copied and produced, the Producing Party must determine
22 which documents, or portions thereof, qualify for protection under
23 this Order. Then, before producing the specified documents, the
24 Producing Party must affix the appropriate Confidentiality legend to
25 each page that contains Protected Material. If only a portion of the
26 material on a page qualifies for protection, the Producing Party also
27 must clearly identify the protected portion(s) (e.g., by making
28 appropriate markings in the margins).

- 1 (c) For testimony given in depositions the Designating Party may
2 identify the Disclosure or Discovery Material on the record at the
3 time the testimony is given or by sending written notice of which
4 portions of the transcript of the testimony are designated within 30
5 days of receipt of the transcript of the testimony. During the 30-day
6 period, the entire transcript will be treated as “HIGHLY
7 CONFIDENTIAL – OUTSIDE ATTORNEYS’ EYES ONLY.” In
8 such cases the court reporter shall be informed of this Protective
9 Order and shall be required to operate in a manner consistent with
10 this Protective Order. In the event the deposition is recorded (by
11 video or otherwise), the original and all copies of the recording shall
12 be designated pursuant to the terms of this Protective Order. Counsel
13 for any Producing Party shall have the right to exclude from oral
14 depositions, other than the deponent, deponent’s counsel, the
15 reporter and videographer (if any), any person who is not authorized
16 by this Protective Order to receive or access Protected Material
17 based on the designation of such Protected Material. Such right of
18 exclusion shall be applicable only during periods of examination or
19 testimony regarding such Protected Material.
- 20 (d) For information produced in some form other than documentary and
21 for any other tangible items, the Producing Party must affix in a
22 prominent place on the exterior of the container or containers in
23 which the information is stored the appropriate Confidentiality
24 legend. If only a portion or portions of the information warrants
25 protection, the Producing Party, to the extent practicable, shall
26 identify the protected portion(s).
- 27 (e) When native electronic files or documents are printed for use at
28 deposition, in a court proceeding, or for provision in printed form to

1 an expert or consultant pre-approved pursuant to Paragraph 6.4(c),
2 the party printing the electronic files or documents shall affix a
3 legend to the printed document corresponding to the designation of
4 the Designating Party and including the production number and
5 designation associated with the native file. The parties reserve the
6 right to object to the use of any image format version of a document
7 produced in native file format to the extent any information has been
8 altered.

9 4.3 Inadvertent Failures to Designate. An inadvertent failure to
10 designate qualified information or items does not, standing alone, waive the
11 Designating Party's right to secure protection under this Order for such material,
12 provided that the Producing Party notifies all Receiving Parties that such
13 Discovery Material is protected under one of the categories of this Order in a
14 timely manner. Upon such timely correction of a designation, the Receiving Party
15 must make reasonable efforts to assure that the material is treated in accordance
16 with the provisions of this Order. The Producing Party shall reproduce the
17 Protected Material with the correct confidentiality designation within seven (7)
18 days upon its notification to the Receiving Parties. Upon receiving the Protected
19 Material with the correct confidentiality designation, the Receiving Parties shall
20 return or securely destroy all Discovery Material that was not designated
21 properly.

22 4.4 A Receiving Party shall not be in breach of this Order for any use of
23 such Discovery Material before the Receiving Party receives such notice that such
24 Discovery Material is protected under one of the categories of this Order, unless
25 an objectively reasonable person would have realized that the Discovery Material
26 should have been appropriately designated with a confidentiality designation
27 under this Order. Once a Receiving Party has received notification of the correct
28 confidentiality designation for the Protected Material with the correct

1 confidentiality designation, the Receiving Party shall treat such Discovery
2 Material (subject to the exception in the following Paragraph below) at the
3 appropriately designated level pursuant to the terms of this Order.

4 **5. CHALLENGING CONFIDENTIALITY DESIGNATIONS**

5 Any Party or Non-Party may challenge a designation of confidentiality at
6 any time that is consistent with the Court's Scheduling Order. Any challenge to
7 a designation of Discovery Material under this Order shall comply with the
8 procedures set forth in Local Rule 37-1. The burden of persuasion in any such
9 challenge proceeding shall be on the Designating Party. Frivolous challenges,
10 and those made for an improper purpose (e.g., to harass or impose unnecessary
11 expenses and burdens on other parties) may expose the Challenging Party to
12 sanctions. Unless the Designating Party has waived or withdrawn the
13 confidentiality designation, all parties shall continue to afford the material in
14 question the level of protection to which it is entitled under the Producing Party's
15 designation until the Court rules on the challenge.

16 **6. ACCESS TO AND USE OF PROTECTED MATERIAL**

17 6.1 A Receiving Party may use Protected Material that is disclosed or
18 produced by another Party or by a Non-Party in accordance with Section 2. Such
19 Protected Material may be disclosed only to the categories of persons and under
20 the conditions described in this Order. When the Action has been terminated, a
21 Receiving Party must comply with the provisions of section 12 below (FINAL
22 DISPOSITION). Protected Material must be stored and maintained by a
23 Receiving Party in a secure manner that ensures that access is limited to the
24 persons authorized under this Order.

25 6.2 Nothing in this Protective Order shall be construed to prevent
26 counsel from advising their clients with respect to this case based in whole or in
27 part upon Protected Materials, provided counsel does not disclose the Protected
28 Material itself except as provided in this Order.

1 6.3 Nothing in this Protective Order shall preclude a party from using
2 material obtained lawfully from a source other than the Producing Party, even if
3 the Producing Party also designated the material pursuant to this Protective Order.

4 6.4 Disclosure of “CONFIDENTIAL” Information or Items. Unless
5 otherwise ordered by the court or permitted in writing by the Designating Party,
6 a Receiving Party may disclose any information or item designated
7 “CONFIDENTIAL” only to:

8 (a) the Receiving Party’s Outside Counsel of Record;

9 (b) the officers, directors, and employees (including In-House
10 Counsel) of the Receiving Party to whom disclosure is reasonably necessary for
11 this Action;

12 (c) Experts (as defined in this Order), provided that the procedure set
13 forth in Paragraph 6.6 below is followed before any Protected Material is
14 provided to the Expert;

15 (d) the court and its personnel;

16 (e) court reporters, videographers, and their staff;

17 (f) professional jury or trial consultants, mock jurors, and
18 Professional Vendors to whom disclosure is reasonably necessary for this Action
19 and who have signed the “Acknowledgment and Agreement to Be Bound”
20 (Exhibit A);

21 (g) the author, recipient, or custodian of a document containing the
22 information, or any other individual who appears to have had access to the
23 specific information at issue based on the face of the document, the document’s
24 metadata, other documents, or sworn witness testimony;

25 (h) any mediators or settlement officers and their supporting
26 personnel, mutually agreed upon by any of the parties engaged in settlement
27 discussions;
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(i) any other person with the prior written consent of the Producing Party; and

(j) during their depositions, witnesses, and attorneys for witnesses, in the Action to whom disclosure is reasonably necessary provided: (1) the deposing party requests that the witness sign the form attached as Exhibit A hereto; and (2) they will not be permitted to keep any confidential information unless they sign the “Acknowledgment and Agreement to Be Bound” (Exhibit A), unless otherwise agreed by the Designating Party or ordered by the court. The witness need not execute Exhibit A if the confidential information was produced, authored, or received by such witness or is a record of the current employer of the witness. Pages of transcribed deposition testimony or exhibits to depositions that reveal Protected Material may be separately bound by the court reporter and may not be disclosed to anyone except as permitted under this Protective Order.

6.5. Disclosure of “HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL – OUTSIDE ATTORNEYS’ EYES ONLY” Information or Items. Unless otherwise ordered by the court or permitted in writing by the Designating Party, a Receiving Party may disclose any information or item designated “HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL – OUTSIDE ATTORNEYS’ EYES ONLY” only to the individuals identified in Paragraphs 6.4 (a), (c)-(i), who are not competitive decision-makers of a Party.

6.6. Before access to the Protected Material is to be given to an Expert, the Expert shall complete the “Acknowledgment and Agreement to Be Bound” (Exhibit A) and the same shall be served upon the producing Party along with the following “Pre-Access Disclosure Requirements” for the Expert:

- (i) a current curriculum vitae of the Expert;
- (ii) identification of the consultant or expert’s present employer and job title;
- (iii) identification of all of the person’s past and current employment and consulting relationships in the past five years

1 relating to surgical medical devices, including direct relationships
2 and relationships through entities owned or controlled by the person;
3 (iv) identification (by application number, title, and filing date) of
4 all pending patent applications on which the person is named as an
5 inventor, in which the person has any ownership interest, or as to
6 which the person has had or anticipates in the future any involvement
7 in advising on, consulting on, preparing, prosecuting, drafting,
8 editing, amending, or otherwise affecting the scope of the claims.

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10 The Party seeking to disclose Protected Material shall provide such other
11 information regarding the person's professional activities reasonably requested
12 by the Producing Party for it to evaluate whether good cause exists to object to
13 the disclosure of Protected Material to the Expert. The Producing Party may
14 object to and notify the Receiving Party in writing that it objects to disclosure of
15 Protected Material to the Expert. The Producing Party will endeavor to provide
16 any objections, or confirmation that it has no objections, within three (3) business
17 days of the date on which the Producing Party receives notice that an Expert will
18 be given access to Protected Material. In the absence of an objection within five
19 (5) business days of the date on which the Producing Party receives notice that an
20 Expert will be given access to Protected Material, the person shall be deemed
21 approved under this Protective Order. Absent confirmation that the Producing
22 Party has no objection, there shall be no disclosure of Protected Material to the
23 person prior to expiration of this five (5) business day period. If an objection is
24 received within that five (5) business day period, the Parties agree to meet and
25 confer within two (2) business days following the objection and to use good faith
26 to resolve any such objection. If the Parties are unable to resolve any objection,
27 the objecting Party shall promptly contact the Magistrate's Courtroom Deputy to
28 schedule an informal telephonic conference by proposing dates within seven (7)

1 days of the meet and confer. The objecting Party shall have the burden of proving
 2 the need for a protective order. No disclosure shall occur until all such objections
 3 are resolved by agreement or Court order.

4 All information provided pursuant to the Pre-Access Disclosure Requirements
 5 shall be treated as Confidential. The Receiving Party is prohibited from using
 6 this information for any purpose other than this case.

7 The Pre-Access Disclosure Requirements of this Section 6.6 shall not apply to an
 8 Expert's support staff, except insofar as such support staff shall complete Exhibit
 9 A prior to disclosure and a copy of such signed undertaking shall be retained by
 10 counsel.

11 7. **PROTECTED MATERIAL SUBPOENAED OR ORDERED**
 12 **PRODUCED IN OTHER LITIGATION**

13 If a Party is served with a subpoena, including one issued by any court,
 14 arbitral, administrative or legislative body or a court order issued in other
 15 litigation, that requests or compels disclosure of any Protected Material, that Party
 16 must:

- 17 (a) promptly notify in writing each Designating Party. Such notification
 18 shall include a copy of the subpoena or court order;
- 19 (b) promptly notify in writing the party who caused the subpoena or
 20 order to issue in the other litigation that some or all of the material
 21 covered by the subpoena or order is subject to this Protective Order.
 22 Such notification shall include a copy of this Protective Order; and
- 23 (c) cooperate with respect to all reasonable procedures sought to be
 24 pursued by the Designating Party whose Protected Material may be
 25 affected. The subpoenaed party shall not disclose any Protected
 26 Material for a period of at least five business days after providing the
 27 required notice to the Producing Person, unless the subpoena, order,
 28 or request requires production on an earlier date. If the Designating

1 Party timely seeks a protective order, the Party served with the
2 subpoena or court order shall not produce any Protected Material
3 before a determination by the court from which the subpoena or
4 order issued, unless the Party has obtained the Designating Party's
5 permission. The Designating Party shall bear the burden and expense
6 of seeking protection in that court of its confidential material.
7 Nothing in these provisions should be construed as authorizing or
8 encouraging a Receiving Party in this Action to disobey a lawful
9 directive from another court.

10 **8. A NON-PARTY'S PROTECTED MATERIAL SOUGHT TO**
11 **BE PRODUCED IN THIS LITIGATION**

12 8.1 The terms of this Order are applicable to information produced by a
13 Non-Party in this Action and designated as Protected Material. Such information
14 produced by Non-Parties in connection with this litigation is protected by the
15 remedies and relief provided by this Order. Nothing in these provisions should be
16 construed as prohibiting a Non-Party from seeking additional protections.

17 8.2 If a Producing Party determines that it is required to notify a Non-
18 Party before producing information, the Producing Party shall promptly notify the
19 Non-Party. If the Non-Party fails to seek a protective order from this Court within
20 14 days of receiving notice, the Producing Party may produce the Non-Party's
21 confidential information responsive to the discovery request. Absent a Court
22 Order to the contrary, the Requesting Party shall not bear any expense incurred
23 by a Non-Party seeking protection in this Court of its Protected Material.

24 **9. UNAUTHORIZED DISCLOSURE OF PROTECTED**
25 **MATERIAL**

26 If a Receiving Party learns that, by inadvertence or otherwise, it has
27 disclosed Protected Material to any person or in any circumstance not authorized
28 under this Protective Order, the Receiving Party must immediately (a) use its best

1 efforts to retrieve all unauthorized copies of the Protected Material and to ensure
2 that no further or greater unauthorized disclosure and/or use thereof is made, (b)
3 inform the person or persons to whom unauthorized disclosures were made of all
4 the terms of this Order and (c) request such person or persons to execute the
5 “Acknowledgment an Agreement to Be Bound” attached hereto as Exhibit A.
6 For the third and later instance of an unauthorized disclosure in the case, the
7 Receiving party must also notify in writing the Designating Party for any
8 subsequent unauthorized disclosures that occur during the case. Unauthorized or
9 inadvertent disclosure does not change the status of Discovery Material or waive
10 a Producing Party’s right to maintain the disclosed document or information as
11 Protected Material.

12 **10. CLAWBACK OF INADVERTENT PRODUCTION OF**
13 **PRIVILEGED OR OTHERWISE PROTECTED MATERIAL**

14 10.1 The inadvertent production by a Party of Discovery Material subject
15 to the attorney-client privilege, work-product protection, or any other applicable
16 privilege or protection, despite the Producing Party’s reasonable efforts to
17 prescreen such Discovery Material prior to production, will not waive the
18 applicable privilege and/or protection if a request for return of such inadvertently
19 produced Discovery Material is made promptly after the Producing Party learns
20 of its inadvertent production.

21 10.2 Upon a request from any Producing Party who has inadvertently
22 produced Discovery Material that it believes is privileged and/or protected, each
23 Receiving Party shall immediately return such Protected Material or Discovery
24 Material and all copies to the Producing Party and/or acknowledge that all
25 electronic copies of the documents have been deleted from the Receiving Party’s
26 electronic systems and any hard copies have been destroyed.

27 10.3 The Producing Party must produce privilege log entries for the
28 inadvertently produced Discovery Material within 2 business days of making a

1 clawback request. The privilege log entries shall identify that the document(s)
2 were clawed back.

3 **11. MISCELLANEOUS**

4 11.1 Right to Further Relief. Nothing in this Order abridges the right of
5 any person to seek its modification by the Court in the future.

6 11.2 Right to Assert Other Objections. By agreeing to the entry of this
7 Protective Order, no Party waives any right it otherwise would have to object to
8 disclosing or producing any information or item on any ground not addressed in
9 this Protective Order. Similarly, no Party waives any right to object on any ground
10 to use in evidence of any of the material covered by this Protective Order.

11 11.3 Termination of Matter and Retention of Jurisdiction. The Parties
12 agree that the terms of this Protective Order shall survive and remain in effect
13 after the Final Disposition of the above-captioned matter. The Court shall retain
14 jurisdiction after Final Determination of this matter to hear and resolve any
15 disputes arising out of this Protective Order.

16 11.4 Successors. This Order shall be binding upon the Parties hereto,
17 their successors, and anyone who obtains access to Protected Material.

18 11.5 Modification by Court. This Order is subject to further court order
19 based upon public policy or other considerations, and the Court may modify this
20 Order sua sponte in the interests of justice. All disputes between the Parties
21 concerning Protected Material, however designated, produced under the
22 protection of this Order shall be resolved by the United States District Court for
23 the Central District of California.

24 11.6 Computation of Time. The computation of any period of time
25 prescribed or allowed by this Order shall be governed by the provisions for
26 computing time set forth in Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 6.
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1 **12. FINAL DISPOSITION**

2 After the Final Disposition of this Action, as defined in Paragraph 3, within
3 60 days of a written request by the Designating Party, each Receiving Party shall
4 return all Protected Material to the Producing Party or destroy such material. As
5 used in this subdivision, “all Protected Material” includes all copies, abstracts,
6 compilations, summaries, and any other format reproducing or capturing any of
7 the Protected Material. Whether the Protected Material is returned or destroyed,
8 the Receiving Party must submit a written certification to the Producing Party
9 (and, if not the same person or entity, to the Designating Party) by the 60-day
10 deadline that (1) identifies (by category, where appropriate) all the Protected
11 Material that was returned or destroyed and (2) affirms that the Receiving Party
12 has not retained any copies, abstracts, compilations, summaries or any other
13 format reproducing or capturing any of the Protected Material. Notwithstanding
14 this provision, Counsel are entitled to retain an archival copy of all pleadings,
15 motion papers, trial, deposition, and hearing transcripts, legal memoranda,
16 correspondence, deposition and trial exhibits, expert reports, attorney work
17 product, and consultant and expert work product, even if such materials contain
18 Protected Material. Any such archival copies that contain or constitute Protected
19 Material remain subject to this Protective Order as set forth in Paragraph 3
20 (DURATION).

21 **13. VIOLATION**

22 Any violation of this Order may be punished by appropriate measures
23 including, without limitation, contempt proceedings and/or monetary sanctions.
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SO STIPULATED BY:

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Dated: September 15, 2023

By: /s/ Adam B. Powell

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IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: September 19, 2023



Hon. Douglas F. McCormick
United States Magistrate Judge

EXHIBIT A
AGREEMENT TO BE BOUND BY PROTECTIVE ORDER

I, _____, acknowledge and declare that I have received a copy of the Protective Order (“Order”) in *Applied Medical Resources Corporation v. Medtronic, Inc.*, 8:23-cv-00268-WLH-DFM, pending in the United States District Court for the Central District of California. Having read and understood the terms of the Order, I agree to be bound by the terms of the Order and consent to the jurisdiction of said Court for the purpose of any proceeding to enforce the terms of the Order.

Name of individual: _____

Present occupation/job description: _____

Name of Company or Firm: _____

Address: _____

Dated: _____

[Signature]